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Blue Birds Hear Account Of Trip To The States

DOG POUND — Mrs. Hume Porteous was hostess to the Blue Birds on May 2, with 13 members present. At the close of the business, Mrs. Satchwell gave a very interesting talk on her trip through the U.S.A., sing-song and general quiz completed the afternoon's program. Next meeting to be held at Mrs. Harold Judd's home on June 6.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jensen, Jr., a daughter.

Mrs. Alice Satchwell is leaving by train for Montreal on May 30 to sail for England on June 1. She will attend the Festival of Britain and visit her father and other relatives.

Nine women from Dog Pound attended the sewing demonstrations at Madden, given by Miss Mewha. A very instructive afternoon was enjoyed.

The Dog Pound Queens are holding their annual dance at New Dog Pound Hall on Friday. Tickets for the quilt, which is to be raffled that night, can be obtained from any member of the Queens. Mrs. Woodrow Hoffmann and Dick Ladd were weekend visitors at the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McLaren of Field, B.C.

Mr. Bagnall leaves on May 14 for Chilliwack, B.C., to report for army duty.

W.A. Collecting Clothing For Europe

CROSSFIELD — Members of the United Church WA are again assuming the responsibility of collecting and sorting old clothing and are once more appealing to the public to go through their wardrobes for any articles that they might be able to spare for babies, children and adults of both sexes.

No high-heeled shoes, or hats are required, but any other articles in good condition would be greatly appreciated. These articles may be left at Ballam's Store, the Mansor or Lilley residence. If you are unable to get your articles in to any of these places phone any one of the three names: Ballam's, Rev. Anderson's or Lilley's.

These articles will be sent for overseas relief in Europe and Korea. Please consider starting now — the date will be open till May 21.

Red Cross Donations Total \$1,078 Now

BEISEKER — The Red Cross Campaign committee have several more donations to add to their fund, making the total amount to date of \$1,078. The donors and amounts are as follows:

\$15. J. T. Schmitz and Matt Schmitz; \$10, F. A. Lount; \$2, Miss Eva Wegener; \$1, Miss Betty Schmitz.

Wedding Anniversary

Mrs. M. A. Wilke, of New Westminster, B.C., wishes to announce the engagement of her youngest daughter, Shirley Marie, to John James Hehn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hehn, of New Westminster, B.C. The wedding is to take place at Lady Fatima Church on June 2nd.

Card of Thanks

May we at this time express the opportunity of expressing our heartfelt thanks to each and everyone who has been so kind and generous in our recent sad bereavement with kindly deeds, letters and cards of sympathy and for beautiful floral tributes.

— Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Coulson and son Philip.



QUEEN MARY is shown in the throne room of St. James' palace, in London, Eng., examining the coronation robes of English royalty after opening an exhibition of embroidery dating from the 14th century.

PUPILS RAISE \$70 FOR RED CROSS FROM RAFFLE OF MAY BASKET

BEISEKER — The pupils of the Grades V and VI room of the Beiseker School raffled a May Basket for the benefit of the Junior Red Cross. Their teacher, Mrs. Bessie Harris, reported a total of \$70 collected. The lucky winner was Mrs. John Mayer, Jr. Considering similar current demands the children were very happy to raise so much money.

The class wishes to thank all the kind people who made this donation possible. Special credit goes to Wayne Wright for being the first to bring in money to Jerry Teeter for the largest amount collected and to Geraldine Hagel for heading the girls' collection.

Below is the letter they received for their unprecedented donation.

Calgary, Alta.
May 8, 1951.

Wayne Wright,
Secretary, Junior Red Cross,
Grades 5 and 6,
Beiseker School,
Beiseker, Alta.

Dear Wayne,

We received your letter of May 3rd with your splendid donation of \$70 to the Equipment Fund for our new Crippled Children's Hospital, here in Calgary. Many thanks to all Junior Red Cross members for their part in making this generous donation possible.

We were pleased to learn of the way your Branch raised this money. The raffle of the May Basket must have been a tremendous success indeed, to net such a lovely donation.

We are very proud of your Junior Red Cross Branch, and know that every one of your members live up to the Junior Red Cross motto, "To Serve".

Again, our sincere thanks to all members, and to your teacher-director, Mrs. Bessie Harris.

Yours sincerely,
Kathleen Herman,
Director, Junior Red Cross.

At the Churches

CROSSFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Minister: Rev. J. W. MacDonald
Services

Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 12:00 noon
Prayer Service, Thurs. 8:30 p.m.
Juniors, Fri. 7:00 p.m.
Young People's, Fri. 8:00 p.m.
Church Service and Sunday School
Dog Pound 8:00 p.m.
Mt. View Service 7:30 p.m.

Hospital Replica Displayed At Tea To Collect More Funds

CROSSFIELD — The FWUA women were hostesses at a delightful bake sale and tea in the Community Hall, which was well-attended. The East Red Cross group had its replica of the Crippled Children's Hospital present and were able to collect a bit more toward "plastering it". This course, is just literally speaking, as the money raised is to be turned in to the hospital fund and is one of East Group's projects for the year.

After all expenses were taken care of, the FWUA netted approximately \$94, and the conveniences give grateful thanks to their co-workers and a generous public.

Catholic Women's Tea Combined With Home Cooking Sale

ROCKYFORD — A tea sponsored by the Catholic Woman's League was held in St. Rita's auditorium on Saturday afternoon. There was also a sale of home cooking, fancy work, novelties and sewing. The women report that they had a record attendance and made \$135.

In charge of the novelty and fancy work bazaar were Mrs. Willard and Mrs. Mitchell; kitchen, Mrs. M. Heinlemeier; Mrs. P. Geerhart; home cooking, Mrs. A. Velker, Mrs. I. Katterhagen; dining hall, Mrs. F. Hughes, Mrs. E. Feser; guest book, Mrs. P. Stinn.

The mothers and ladies of St. Rita's parish were honored on Sunday, May 13, at a Mother's Day breakfast in St. Rita's auditorium. The CYO acted as hosts and served breakfast. Rain kept many away.

CROSSFIELD NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

Please don't forget the Bake Sale sponsored by the United Church W.A. This will be held in Ballam's store and will not open until 3 p.m. on June 2. This has been postponed twice on account of bad weather, so the group is looking for your patronage on that date and hoping for agreeable weather.

SEND NEWS EARLY FOR NEXT WEEK

Correspondents and contributors to this paper are reminded to send in their news early for publication in next week's issue.

During the May 24 holiday, work on the church will have to start early in the week, and correspondents are asked to have their news in at least two days earlier than usual.

Mother's Day Service Theme Taken From The Book of Ruth

CROSSFIELD — Even though there was rain on Mothers' Day, the Crossfield United Church had a fair attendance at its Mothers' Day service. Rev. Anderson's sermon took its theme from the Book of Ruth which was fitting for the special day. The choir sang "A Mother's Dream". Rev. Anderson also officiated at the baptism of James Robert, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Tweedie, in the evening, prior to delivering his sermon.

In the morning of Mothers' Day at Sunday School in the United Church there was a record attendance of 105.

Pre-Nuptial Tea To Honor Bride-Elect Miss Whittleton

CROSSFIELD — The Crossfield Curling Ladies are honoring Miss Ada Whittleton with an open miscellaneous shower on May 30 in the Crossfield United Church parlor at 8:15 p.m. Miss Whittleton, who is visiting her family in Saskatchewan, will be back in Crossfield on June 1st to attend the "big plunge" on June 1.

She is missed from the drug store, where she has been employed for the last year and a half. Katie Kotow is helping part time in the drug store at present.

Please keep this date in mind and plan to attend this shower as a guest of the Lady Curlers, and you will be very welcome.



BRIDES can now make their own wedding gown. Gown model here is made from McCall Pattern No. 7826. Veil is from McCall Pattern No. 1490.



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During the curling season the various members of the WA, with help from various people, undertook to serve the curlers donuts and coffee. For their efforts they were rewarded with a total of \$140 clear profit, which is in a special fund to be used to redecorate the church after it has been shingled.

Mrs. Harold Lorrie was hostess to the members of the Afternoon Bridge Club on May 9. Mrs. Jean Stoen, hostess to Mrs. Gretta Hall substituted for Mrs. Lorrie who were unable to attend. A delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Lorrie and the prizes went to Dorie Casey and Evelyn Lillie.

The United Church Ladies of WA met in the church parlor for their monthly meeting on May 8, with Mrs. Ed Fox presiding. Mrs. Hurt assumed the devotional, and Mrs. Oneil and Mrs. Anderson the Missionary talk. Mrs. Oneil spoke from the Study Book "Med" by Mrs. Anderson's pointer and map of Chinese formalities and customs. A bake sale was planned for June 1 at 9:00 p.m. in Ballam's Store.

The CGIT have a treat in store for Crossfielders, as they will sponsor a concert and puppet show and will more than likely have a magician in attendance on June 1 at the Community Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hansen of California, are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Laut and hope to spend at least a month in Crossfield.

Ed Smith has purchased the home of Ed Mayers, the latter having spent the winter in California.

The Happy Garden Club members met in the school room on May 9. The girls were provided with project books and material, and seeds to start their spring work. After business was disposed of, the girls' luncheon was served before the meeting dispersed.

Bert Lilley had a new well drilled at his home in Crossfield. Mike Charney and Mr. Fricke also are boasting new wells. The water situation in town has become quite a problem during the last few months. The rain is in short supply, and the situation is little.

Vivian Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Miller, has accepted a position in Henderson's Secretarial School as a short hand instructor.

New telephone directories are on hand in the office and the general public may avail themselves of this opportunity of obtaining a new one by calling at either office.

We are sorry to report that both Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stewart are indisposed with the mumps. We wish them a speedy recovery.

LEVEL LAND NEWS ITEMS

Mr. Gordon Campbell of Laming Mills was visiting last week with the Huethers.

Joyce Huether who works at the Provincial Training School at Lethbridge, was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Matarag of Didsbury, were weekend visitors at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Huether.

The two vocal soloists given by Mrs. Ed Schaber of Washington at the SDA church Saturday were much enjoyed by all.

The two quilts which were finished another quilt on May 9.

Pastor Streiffing of Calgary was guest speaker at the SDA church.

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EDITORIAL PAGE

Prudham on Production

Albertans can be justly proud of their representative in the Dominion Cabinet—Hon. George Prudham, M.P., for West Edmonton. George—as he prefers to be called by his Alberta friends—has, time and again, put his weight on the case and care for high prices and the threat of inflation.

The cause, he says, is a lag in production of defence and civilian goods. His cure—more work and longer hours. In a recent CBC broadcast over CBX, Alberta, he indicated that our country is rich in wealth sufficient to make us the richest nation in the world. As Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys his knowledge and opinion in this field of government is extensive. Mr. Prudham knows we have the wealth—and knows how we can get it.

Not as the Labour leaders say, by getting more money with less work. This won't produce more wealth. Not as the Social Crediter John Blackmore, M.P., says, by simply issuing more money credits. The answer lies in more work, more production.

An increase in our industrial work week now from 40 hours a week to 48 would increase production, reduce prices and enable workers to buy more civilian goods without the threat of increased inflation. As individuals, and as a nation are we prepared to roll up our sleeves and go to work? Or will we be rocked to sleep in the myth of higher wages and shorter hours?

Oil vs Gas

Decision handed down by the Supreme Court of Alberta late last week to the effect that natural gas and petroleum are distinctly different products will please many Albertans who might benefit from the judgment.

These include an estimated 5,000 farmers holding about 2,000,000 acres of land.

The court's decision is certainly an unprecedented one—there has been nothing like it in Alberta legal history.

The fact that Michael Borys, Leduc farmer, owns the natural gas on his land despite the fact oil companies have leased mineral rights from the CPR, who retained the rights when the land was sold to Borys' father, is bound to set off a chain of legal battles.

Oil and gas are practically one and the same thing in that production of both are simultaneous in oil development.

Final outcome of the case will certainly be interesting, especially to the many thousands of Albertans with a personal interest in the issue.

Widows Outnumber Widowers

Every census of Canada since Confederation has shown a considerably greater number of widows than widowers. The ratio has been somewhat more than two widows to every widower in each census year except 1921 and 1931. Since 1941, the proportion appears to have continued to increase and the Ninth Decennial Census, to be taken in June this year, will probably show a substantial rise in the last ten years.

One reason for the excess of widows over widowers is that the expectancy of life of females is greater than that of males. At birth it is 69 years as compared to 65 for the male child. Secondly, it is customary for the husband's age to exceed the age of his wife. In 1941, wives of men in the age group 35-64 were, on the average, four years younger than their husbands, and in the age group 65 and over, six years younger. It would thus be expected that the death of the husband would occur earlier than of the wife. A third reason is that a higher percentage of widowers than of widows remarry. In 1947, for example, 3.6 per cent of the estimated number of widowers remarried, and only 1.5 per cent of the widows.

Note and Comment

Only when citizens are aware of the fact that they personally have to pay for the cost of government and governmental services do they realize that they, personally, have responsibility in seeing to it that government is operated efficiently.

The Bible Says:

"Have mercy upon me, O God . . . for I acknowledge my transgressions and my sin is ever before me."—Psalm 51:1-2.

Should Baby Know She's Adopted?

By T. W. FUE

If you were to adopt a baby, would you tell her she's adopted? If so, how would you tell her? Would you ever, at any time, make your foster child believe that she is a flesh and blood offspring?

TRAGEDY AT SIXTEEN

There was the case of the baby whose parents took every precaution to keep from her, as she grew, the truth of her entrance to the family. Mary was a happy baby, and grew into a happy childhood. She was never told by her parents that she was adopted and was led to believe she was just like any other child to her parents.

Then one day it happened. At 16 Mary attended her first evening school party and some inconsiderate friend hinted the truth. She was panic-stricken and rushed home to confide in her parents. They were shocked because they believed their secret was well kept. But the truth was out and in desperation they relayed to the daughter they loved the story of her adoption.

Mary's first thoughts were of resentment for her foster parents, and then of a wild desire to seek and find her natural mother. Needless to say the happy family fellowship was broken on three sides and resulted in human tragedy.

KNOWLEDGE AT SIX MONTHS

Then there was the story of the John Smiths. They had waited five years for a child of their own. The adoption agency handled the transfer of Jeannie without either the mother or foster parents even knowing of the other. Jeannie was four and a half months old when she came into the Smith household and from the start she knew she was adopted.

How could a six-months-old baby know what adoption meant? Well, she couldn't. But she heard the word frequently when she learned to speak the first few words of babyhood and time and again her mother and father told her how she came into their family. The story, as familiar as the three bears and Jack and the bean stock went something like this:

"Jeannie, we want to tell you a beautiful story. Once upon a time Daddy and Mommy had a little baby girl, but they wanted one. So they asked God to send them one and they told the Doctor to pick out the best baby he could find in the hospital."

"One day the doctor phoned up and said 'I have a very pretty baby here that you'd like very much. Will you come and see it?' So we both went over to see this beautiful baby and imagine our surprise, Jeannie, when it turned out to be you. Of course, we fell in love with you right away and brought you home to stay with us. So that's how we adopted you, Jeannie dear."

Jeannie is now 12 years old and there is perfect understanding between her and her parents and baby sister. Yes—the Story must have been aroused by the competition of the Adoption Board, because he produced baby Delilah within two years.

Perhaps you've already got a first class worry on your hands because you've never told Mary she's adopted. A cute little girl, now eight, she trusts you as her parents. You must tell her the truth. Here's one way to do it:

"After dinner, draw Mary down upon the arm of your easy chair. Then continue as follows:

"Mary, I want to tell you a beautiful story. It is true, too!"

"About 10 years ago I met a lovely young woman. She was so attractive, I fell in love with her. It was your mother."

"Luckily, she also fell in love with me. So I picked her for my wife and she picked me for her husband."

"But we had been total strangers up till then. We were not of any blood kinship at all."

"However, I feel closer to your mother than I do to Aunt Sue and Uncle Harry, who are my sister and brother—my blood relatives."

"Well, a couple of years passed. Mother and I were very happy except for one thing. We wanted a little girl. So we began looking around and found you. We fell in love with you at once and picked you to be our daughter."

"You and Mother and I are not of any blood kinship to each other."

"Now we're bound together by a far stronger bond than blood relationship, for we are linked by love and affection."

"We stick together because we want to do so, for we love each other and have chosen each other. We are a happy team."

Mother should meanwhile have slipped down upon the other arm of Daddy's chair. He can then give her and Mary a hug to seal this solemn pact, and Mary will never henceforth feel she doesn't belong".



There's a good chance Russia may try to prolong the oil crisis in Iran. Soviet armies are already casting covetous glances at the Iranian oil fields.

Voice of the People

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SAYS WE PUNKS

Dear Sir—As a newspaper your sheet is rotten and my vision of your writers the poorest punks in the business. You have shown by your trashy editorials you have no respect for the opinions of other people.

Jasper Place CITIZEN.

IN THE BIBLE

Dear Sir—In reply to F. J. McNeely's question about the difference in the genealogies of Jesus recorded in Matthew and Luke; Matthew traces the legal right of Jesus to the throne of David through Joseph, and Luke the blood right of Jesus through Mary, the daughter of the Virgin Birth. Two different families account for the different names and number of generations.

Edmonton R. B. SNYDER

GENEALOGY OF CHRIST

Dear Sir—I would advise Mr. McNeely to read the genealogy of Christ as it is given in the book of Luke. At that time the Jewish custom was to make the husband the legal son of the wife's father. If you have a King James Bible note when it says "Joseph, which was the son of Heli," there is a marginal reference to "son-in-law." Both Mary and Joseph were descendants of David. The word of God is infallible. It's the translators, I fear, we were not.

MRS. E. COOREMAN.

NORTH EDMONTON

THE FARM TRUCK

Dear Sir—During the past 10 years many farmers have found it necessary to purchase a truck. Before purchasing they had to decide the most suitable size and decide on a two-ton truck with 7,500-20,000 lbs. gross weight. The government allowed 18,000 pounds gross. The farmers had a box built to suit this weight. This box could be loaded with any kind of grain without fear of overloading. The government has now lowered the weight to 18,000 pounds. This is not only dangerous to the usefulness of this truck, but forcing the farmer to guess his load weight correctly, or be prosecuted and fined.

Crossfield FARMER.

THE EAST HAS ITS SAY

Dear Sir—Some people say high prices are caused by profiteering by some companies. Official figures deny the truth of this statement. In ratio to all prices, profits of Canadian corporations have remained relatively constant.

Toronto C. J. HARRIS.

TIKE TAKES PUSSY

Dear Sir—Can anyone, explain to me why Canadian women can't act like real human beings to their husbands? I like them very much, but when I want a wife I'll go back to the old country. There the women are docile, obedient and easy to get along with. The Canadian wife is ill-mannered, greedy, arrogant and selfish and acts like a spoiled cat. In fact, I'd rather have a tabby cat for a house companion.

Boyle STEVE.

CHEERIO FROM ALFIE

Dear Sir—Before I sail for dear old Blighty, after spending six weeks of enforced exile in your lumbering country, may I say that your so-called code of honour, or baseball, leaves me cold? The vulgar mannerisms of the players and their ridiculous uniforms make wonder if I am seeing straight.

ALF LUMBY.

FLIGHT TO FREEDOM

Dear Sir—May I disagree with those Canadians who oppose the entrance of displaced persons into free Canada? I am one myself—a former university student in Europe who at present is grateful to be a laborer in your province. Please let me assure you that the majority of D.P.'s accepted by Canada refused to be Communists, and would be killed or put into jail for their beliefs if they should go home. As long as there are dictators I hope that your country and other free countries will provide exile for us.

Edmonton NAME WITHHELD.

A DREAM BUSTED

Dear Sir—I was broken-hearted when I heard that Rita Hayworth and Aly Khan were busting up. Rita's fans maintained me in hours of bitter need when Shirley Temple and Elizabeth Taylor canned the dew romances after short spaces of stormy bliss. Now I'll never dream again. Pass the kleenex—I'm going to sit down and have a good cry.

Edmonton SWEET SIXTEEN.

Spotlight on . . .

ALBERTA

A News Section About Alberta People,
Week Ending May 19, 1951

Southern Alberta Farmers Await Benefits From Huge St. Mary River Dam Project

(By British United Press)

Southern Alberta dust bowl farmers are waiting impatiently for the finishing touches to be put on the St. Mary River dam, the largest earthen dam ever built in Canada.

At a date in July yet to be set, Federal Agriculture Minister James G. Gardiner, Alberta Agriculture Minister David Ure and other federal and provincial authorities will meet at the dam site, 25 miles southwest of Lethbridge to officially declare it open.

The dam was described as the key to the St. Mary - Milk river

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ALTA. TO OPEN LAST FRONTIER

development, designed to bring water to an additional 450,000 acres of thirsty land between Lethbridge and Medicine Hat. The farmers know it will be some time yet before water actually comes to the land, they also know the first step in the \$30,000,000 enterprise has been completed.

The federal government spent \$6,000,000 on construction of the dam in 1946 and was expected to lay out another \$9,000,000 on construction of reservoirs, connecting canals and spillways. Those sections were the federal government's responsibility under a dominion-provincial compact in which Alberta committed herself to carry the water to the land after it was demanded.

Alberta spent \$2,500,000 last year and allocated \$3,000,000 this year to build main canals and hold up its share of the bargain. It was believed the province will have spent \$15,000,000 when the job is completed several years from now.

The largest earthen dam ever

built in Canada, the St. Mary dam rises 22.5 feet above the lowest point in its foundation in the river bed. The crest is 2,536 feet and it is 1,450 feet wide at the base.

The St. Mary reservoir, yet to be built, will store the diverted waters of the Belly, Waterton and St. Mary rivers. It will be 17 miles long and its greatest width will be six miles. With a depth of 175 feet, it will have a storage capacity of 320,000 acre feet and 285,000 acre feet of that amount will be live storage available for irrigation.

Canada's Sugar Beet Crop Tops \$17 Million

Canadian farmers received a record \$17,242,000 for their 1950 crop of sugar beets which totalled 1,116,699 tons.

Beet sugar production from this crop was 299,727,165 pounds — the first record output in the Canadian industry's history and one-third more than produced from the 1949 harvest.

Canada's seven sugar factories also turned out 49,857 tons of dried beet pulp, 90,000 tons of wet pulp, and 40,007 tons of beet molasses, all of which are valuable by-products that find ready markets.

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INDIA tea plantation of W. A. Milner was seldom marauded by wild animals, but here is an elephant shot by district game warden. See story below.

Tea Planter Views Alberta As Land of Great Future

W. A. Milner, a tea planter in India for 43 years, views Edmonton as a city of opportunity and Alberta as a province with a great future.

Mr. Milner is visiting in Edmonton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Pue, 10915 81 Ave. He is about 80 years old.

He is on his sixth leave of absence since he went to India in 1909. This is his first visit to Canada. Mr. Milner stopped in England en route to Alberta, and will visit there again when he returns to India next month.

His present job is of a 650 acre tea plantation employing about 1000 coolies. Plantation is in the province of Travancore, and is owned by the Travancore Tea Estates Co.

Mr. Milner's wife, a widow, is

visiting him in India.

Mr. Milner likes to talk about his life in India, and is eager to tell of the tea industry.

"The tea plant grows in the world," he says, "and over 300 billion cups of tea are enjoyed in the world every year."

According to legend, tea was

first drunk in China, during the reign of the Emperor Shen-Nung

about 2700 B.C.

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leopard marauds the plantation,

according to Mr. Milner.

Nearly is a big game reserve, where animals are protected.

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"There's no hard feelings between the Indians and British, and the change-over didn't affect us much."

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MR. AND MRS. MILNER . . . Tea Planter

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"So you and Charlie are married. I thought all the time it was just going to be a flirtation."

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Nearly True

Customs officer: "Lady, you said this bag contained clothes, but it's full of brandy."

Woman: "Certainly — my husband's nightcaps."

Difference of Opinion

He: "I know a man who has been married 40 years and spends every evening at home."

She: "That's what I call love."

He: "The doctor calls it paralysis."

Overtime Sleeper

Chief: "How come you're late this morning, Joe?"

Fireman: "I overslept."

Chief: "What? Do you sleep at home, too?"

Two Reasons

"I'll bet you think twice before leaving that wife of yours alone for an evening. Am I right?"

"I'll say. First, I have to think up an excuse for getting out, and then a reason why she can't come."

It Didn't Help

One day as I chanced to pass, A beaver was damming the river. A motorist who had run out of gas Was doing the same to his flivver.

Calendar Marriage

"So you're married life is very unhappy, what?" the trouble Doctor had asked to May."

"Heaven, no! It's Labor Day married to the Day of Rest."

Romantic Jumble

"Slippery ice, very thin; pretty girl tripped in, fell in, hit the bank — gave a shriek and then she sank. Boy on bank heard her shout, jumped right in — helped her out. Now he's hers — very nice; but she had to break the ice."

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Court Rules Oil, Gas Are Different Products

The Supreme Court of Alberta Wednesday ruled that natural gas and petroleum are distinctly different products.

The judgement is of great importance in Alberta where unprecedented development of petroleum and natural gas is going on hand-in-hand.

George H. Steer of Edmonton, counsel for the plaintiff who alleged that petroleum and natural gas were different, said the case will affect a belief on a great deal of land in the province which was bought without reservations against it in the early days."

But a high Government official said the case will have little bearing.

The official, H. H. Somerville, Minister of Mines and Minerals, said the Alberta Government holds title to 90 per cent of all the mineral rights outside of Dominion parks in the province. He said these mineral rights cover both petroleum and natural gas.

Michael D. Dunn, a farmer, owns the natural gas within, upon and under his quarter section of land in the heart of the rich portion of the Leduc oilfield, 21 miles south of Edmonton.

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Defendants were the Canadian Pacific Railway, which sold the land to Bory's father, and Imperial Oil Limited, lessee of the petroleum rights to the land which the CPR reserved for itself when the sale was made.

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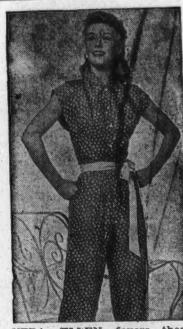
The judgment will concern "only a small portion of the remaining 10 per cent of mineral rights," Mr. Somerville said. The government has taken over the mineral rights on some of this 10 per cent for tax forfeiture under the Mineral Taxation Act of 1941.

Another Government source said more than 5,000 Alberta farmers holding about 2,000,000 acres of land will benefit from the judgment if it helps. The number located in oil or potential oil areas was unknown.

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Before too long the weather will permit out-door birthday parties for the kiddies. This means even more to mothers than to children for it cuts down chance of broken lawn stained carpets and smashed ash trays—that seem the natural result of a party held inside the home.

It also makes possible a larger variety of games and entertainment. For instance, pony carts for the young girls and swimming for older children.

For the little girls, a color contest is an old favorite. Something that is bound to be a success is a small favor. Then, for entertainment, provide the very young ladies with tables of cut flowers and give a prize for the most attractive arrangement.

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The Alberta Wheat Pool is sponsoring the attendance of 35 farm boys and girls at Farm Young People's Week being held in Edmonton early in June.

Rich Asbestos Find In Northern B.C.

DAWSON CREEK, B.C.—Increasing activity has been made in the McNamee Creek, B.C., area, 10 miles west of the Alaska highway on development of an asbestos find.

Company sources reported that samples have been valued as high as \$12.50 per ton.

Leading the exploration and development work are the Asbestos Corporation of Canada and the Canadian Mineral Corp.

The mining company recently purchased sufficient lumber for construction of 28 homes at the mill site, with further development expected as the find is developed.

Ann Blyth is in England where she will co-star with Tyrone Power in "The House on the Square". After that, she and relatives will visit with relatives in Ireland, some of whom Ann has never seen.

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TWO TILLER MATCHES PLANNED AT DISTRICT POINTS THIS MONTH

BEISEKER—Tiller matches, similar to the old plowing matches, will be held at Carbon on Monday, May 28, and at Trochu on Wednesday, May 30, beginning at 10 a.m. The Carbon match will be held one mile west and four miles south of Carbon on N.W. qtr. of 28-28-23-4, owned by Albert Schell. You can stay right on the gravel road and see this match and demonstration. Mr. Russell Snell is Chairman of the committee.

The Trochu Tiller Match and Demonstration will be held on the S.W. 1/4 of 8-33-23-4, on Greig's place, immediately south of the golf course. This is on the main gravel road. The chairman of the Trochu committee is Mr. John Frene.

The Drumheller Agricultural Society is printing programs with full detail of all Tiller Matches, including that at Morrin on Tuesday, May 29. They will be available shortly from your District Agricultural or Field supervisor. The purpose of these demonstrations and competitions is to promote good tillage practices. This will also help to emphasize the importance of soil conservation, better weed control and reduced operating costs of equipment. Correct techniques will demonstrate the value of adjustments. Emphasis will be placed on tiller cover because of its importance as an aid to soil and moisture conservation.

Additional interest in the competition will be created by cash prizes offered in all classes: \$50 for first, \$25 for second and \$15 for third. In the demonstration, field tool bar operators will be paid up to \$10 to demonstrate their machine depending on the number of entries. Entries should be in the hands of the organizing committee one week in advance of the competition.

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Miss Angie Schmitz of Beiseker is spending a few weeks working at the F. Dunsmore farm in Rockyford.

A shower for Mr. and Mrs. Willard Griffiths (nee Ruth Heinecker) will be held in the Rockyford hall on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Cartwright have returned from England to reside in Rockyford.

Pete Edgar, Roy Witty and Arnold McIsaac spent the Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gernert.

The second rainfall within two weeks hit the Rockyford district

on Sunday. One half inch of rain was reported. The fields are too wet for the farmers to harvest their fall crop or to plant their spring crop.

A surprise party in honor of Ken Henry on the occasion of his birthday was held on the evening of May 11. A very enjoyable time was had by all present.

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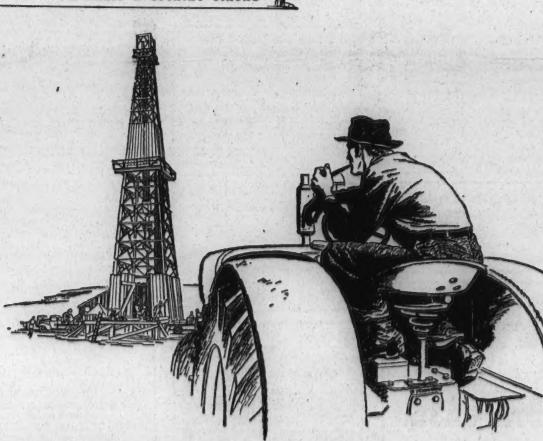
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